

## **Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council Item ID 7998 Agenda Number 28.

Meeting Date: 8/18/2011 Department: Planning and Development Review

## Subject

Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$87,278 in grant funds from the National Park Service and amending the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Planning and Development Review Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20100913-002) to appropriate \$87,278 for continued development and implementation of the Webbased Historical Survey Web tool project.

## Amount and Source of Funding

The total grant amount of \$87,278 will be provided from the Federal Preserve America Grant from the National Park Service. The required \$87,835 local match will be provided as follows: \$19,760 in-kind cost sharing from City Preservation Staff salary and fringe benefits and, \$68,075 in-kind cost sharing from UT faculty salary and fringe benefits.

## Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	February 4, 2010 – Council directed the City Manager to work with the University of Texas and the Heritage Society to submit an application for funding to Preserve America in an amount up to \$250,000 in grant funds to for an historic survey web tool to assist the City's historic preservation program.
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On February 4, 2010, Council directed the City Manager to work with the University of Texas and the Heritage Society to submit an application for funding to Preserve America in an amount up to \$250,000 in grant funds to for an historic survey web tool to assist the City's historic preservation program. The City was awarded \$87,278 from the National Park Service for the Preserve America Grant. The grant provides funding for continued development and implementation of the Web-based Historical Survey Web tool project. The project includes implementing use of a Web-based Historical Survey Tool to identify and upload information on historic properties located in the area east of IH-35. The local match for the grant will be provided through in-kind services from the City of Austin Historic Preservation staff and faculty of the University of Texas School of Architecture.

A related item authorizing negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the University of Texas stipulates that in-kind contribution will not exceed \$87,835 with the City providing \$19,760 and the University providing \$68,075 in accordance with the requirements of the Preserve America Grant.

All department grant application requests are reviewed by the Budget Office prior to submission to ensure that the grant minimizes the financial impact to the City.